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BILL MAY BECOME A LAW BEFORE END OF MONTH.

SENATE PASSES THE MEASURE

House Recommends Identical Bill, but to Save Time Will Concur in Senate Measure—Leader's Double Shift Bill and Voting Tax Measure Passed.

Lincoln, Feb. 20.—The 2-cent passenger fare bill passed the state senate and may become a law and its provisions effective before the end of the month. A bill identical with the one passed by the senate has been recommended for passage by the house, but to save time the house, it was said, would, before the end of the week, concur in the senate bill. Governor Sheldon is known to favor the legislation. As either bill carries the emergency clause, the law will become operative with the approval of the governor.

There were no votes in opposition to the bill when the final vote was taken, but for two hours the senate fought over a substitute motion of McKesson of Lancaster to delay consideration of the measure until tomorrow, to allow the house to act on the joint committee bill. The debate was dramatic and was listened to by a crowded gallery and lobby. Before the vote was taken McKesson withdrew his motion to postpone and voted for the bill. The house passed the Leader double shift fireman's bill and the Fries \$3 voting tax bill.

TELEGRAMS TERSELY TOLD

The plant of the Alpena (Mich.) Portland Cement company was burned. The loss is estimated at \$400,000.

William A. Thrall, for forty years connected in an official capacity with the Northwestern and the Illinois Central railroads, died at Chicago.

The personal bond of John D. Rockefeller for \$1,000, insuring his appearance at the next term of court in the Standard Oil cases, was filed at Findlay, O.

The lower house of the California legislature passed Assemblyman Eshleman's bill prohibiting gambling or betting at racetracks. The vote was 44 to 30.

Blockade conditions on the railroads caused by the recent storms in the northwest have been fully overcome, according to reports received by the Great Northern.

Attorney General Bonaparte has directed that suits be instituted against a number of railroad companies to recover penalties for violation of the safety appliance law.

Congressman John E. Reyburn (Rep.) was elected mayor of Philadel-

phia, defeating William Potter, Democratic and City Party candidate, by about 35,000 plurality.

Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul and the Chicago and Northwestern railroads will accept the Wisconsin railroads commission's order reducing passenger fares to 2 1/2 cents a mile.

The American National Red Cross through the courtesy of the Pacific Mail Steamship company, will be able to transport to China free of charge the 5,000 bushels of seed wheat at Portland and 2,500 bushels at San Francisco.

TWO-CENT FARE BILL UP

Senate Forces a Report on the Railroad Measure.

Lincoln, Feb. 19.—The state senate practically took the 2-cent passenger fare bill out of the hands of the committee by insisting on an immediate report and advancement. Later the action was rescinded, when the committee voluntarily reported. The bill was then placed on general file and made a special order for this morning's session. An identical bill is the special order in the house of representatives for this afternoon.

The house indefinitely postponed the county option bill. It has already been defeated in the senate, and this kills it for this session.

The Jenison anti-lobby bill was passed in the house without the emergency clause.

MISSOURI RIVER ON RAMPAGE

Vermillion Experiences Higher Water Than Since Flood of 'Eighty-One.

Vermillion, S. D., Feb. 19.—Not since the flood of 1881 has such a vast volume of water swept over the Missouri bottom as that now submerging everything in its path. An ice gorge which formed last night cannot be broken and the flood is sweeping everything before it on the lowlands. The river is still rising slowly.

Farmers are unable to get stock to safety, and the loss will be appalling. So sudden was the overflow that residents barely escaped with their lives and it is now impossible to save stock and the railroad grade east to Burbank is washed out and train service will be delayed. Water stands from five to seven feet in many of the houses. Cattle and hogs are dying by thousands. Unless the gorge breaks soon many homes are sure to be swept away. The Vermillion river is out of its banks all along its course.

Subpoena for Harriman.

New York, Feb. 19.—A subpoena was served on E. H. Harriman, head of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific systems, calling for his appearance before the interstate commerce commission on Monday next. Mr. Harriman accepted service.

Elliott Rejected as U. S. Attorney. Washington, Feb. 19.—The senate judiciary committee, of which Senator Kittredge is a member, reported adversely the nomination of James D.

Elliott for United States attorney in South Dakota.

Fire in Tulsa Oil Field.

Tulsa, I. T., Feb. 19.—Fire broke out in the Tulsa oil field and thirty wells are reported on fire. The property is owned by various companies. The loss is estimated at \$75,000.

NEWS OF NEBRASKA.

Donation for Wittenberg College.

Tecumseh, Neb., Feb. 15.—In the transfer of 1,700 acres of land near Tecumseh for a consideration of \$91,000, it became known that the proceeds will be donated to Wittenberg college of Springfield, O. The donor is Michael W. Hamma, a resident of a New England state, the purchaser of the land being John N. Garver of Springfield.

Regents Would Buy Books.

Lincoln, Feb. 18.—According to a semi-official statement the regents of the state university are anxious to buy text books and sell or rent them to the students at cost. They are also anxious to hold open meetings and have instructed their employees not to lobby for or against any measure now pending in the legislature affecting the management of the university.

Irish Blames Labor Unions.

Lincoln, Feb. 16.—John P. Irish of San Francisco, who came to Lincoln to deliver the University of Nebraska charter day oration at the anniversary celebration, in an interview, discussed the Japanese school question. He was severe in his indictment of the labor unions, which he said dominated San Francisco and which he held responsible for the whole Japanese trouble.

Will of Count Creighton.

Omaha, Feb. 18.—The will of the late Count John A. Creighton, which is to be filed for probate, was found in his desk after his death. It was written two years ago, and disposes of an estate valued at about \$4,000,000. The principal bequests are \$2,000,000 to Creighton university and \$1,000,000 to St. Joseph's hospital. This latter is the Ed Creighton memorial. John Schenck is given \$25,000 and Mary Cotter is given \$15,000. Many other minor bequests are made.

SENATE PASSES TWO BILLS.

Employers' Liability Act and Interurban Measure Meet Approval.

Lincoln, Feb. 16.—The senate passed without opposition Senator Gibson's employer's liability bill. It also passed Thomas' bill, to allow street railway companies to own and operate interurban railway companies. The vote stood 21 to 8.

The house voted to take up the 2-cent rate bill and the anti-pass bill as special order for 2:30 o'clock Tuesday. In the meantime the Republicans will hold a caucus meeting Monday night to decide on a mode of procedure.

The judiciary committee of the house decided to recommend for indefinite postponement the county option bill.

RESERVE TO BE OPENED

Land in Four Nebraska Counties May Be Filed on May 1.

North Platte, Neb., Feb. 18.—The secretary of the interior has served notice upon the officers of the land office in this city that they should fix a date and cause notices to be published of the restoration of what has heretofore been an irrigation reserve located in Lincoln, Keith, Deuel and Cheyenne counties, along both sides of the North Platte river. This tract was reserved under the national irrigation law from homestead entries under the Kinkaid law, and it has never been subject to one-section homesteads and no entry whatsoever is now permitted upon this tract until May 1, when the order restoring the land to entry will take effect.

NEW UNION PACIFIC LINE.

O'Fallons and Northport to Be Name of North River Branch.

Sutherland, Neb., Feb. 16.—It is officially announced here that the North river branch of the Union Pacific railroad, which is now completed from O'Fallons to near Lewellen, will be called the O'Fallons and Northport railroad and all stationery has been so printed. It is expected that work upon this branch will soon be resumed and the work of completion to Northport across the North Platte from Bridgeport will be hastened and finished by early summer.

Several of the deep cuts in the vicinity of Oshkosh have, during the winter, been filled with sand, making necessary the work of redigging and in one or more instances the cuts will be widened. It is understood that regular train service will begin July 1 on this branch.

FUNERAL OF M'CONNELLY FAMILY.

Four Victims of the Flood at Columbus Are Buried Together.

Columbus, Neb., Feb. 18.—The funeral of the family of Sidney E. McCone, who met their tragic death in

the flood on Tuesday, was held in the Mannerchor hall and was attended by a large concourse of citizens. The services were in charge of Rev. L. R. Dewolf, pastor of the First Methodist church, and Rev. E. J. Ulmer of the Baptist church.

The McCones were among the earliest settlers of Columbus and had lived continuously just south of the Union Pacific tracks. In the flood of 1881 they were taken from their home in boats, the water being very high. During this flood, if the family had remained in the house, they would have been safe, for none of the water came into their home. In the family were Mr. McCone, aged sixty-five; his wife, fifty-three; their daughter Lucella, nineteen, and Miss Della Ball, a sister of Mrs. McCone, aged fifty-one. The bodies were interred in the Columbia cemetery.

PLATTE RIVER RISING AGAIN

Six Union Pacific Trains Are Marooned at Fremont.

Fremont, Neb., Feb. 15.—Late last night the water began rising and is higher than at any time since the flood began. The Union Pacific from here to Columbus is blocked and trains are running over Burlington tracks. Six Union Pacific trains are marooned here.

FUND FOR THE STEAMBOAT.

Ten Thousand Dollars Raised by the Missouri River Promoters.

Omaha, Feb. 19.—Ten thousand dollars has been raised to start a steamboat on the Missouri river. A meeting for election of directors and officers will be held by the incorporators of the Omaha and Missouri River Navigation company tomorrow in the Commercial club rooms. The \$10,000 fund set as a prerequisite to incorporation was completed by a \$2,000 subscription from Henry T. Clarke.

Gasoline Explosion Fatal.

Omaha, Feb. 19.—Charles Kammer, who was severely burned by an explosion of gasoline in a lunch wagon, died at St. Joseph's hospital from the effects of the injuries received.

Carpenter Instantly Killed.

Omaha, Feb. 19.—James McElligott, a carpenter, was crushed and instantly killed beneath a heavy derrick used in the construction of the new addition to the warehouse of the Expressmen's Delivery company.

CORDON BLEU.

Origin of the French Title as Applied to a Fine Cook.

The Order of the St. Esprit was created in 1587, was suppressed by the revolution and was revived by Louis XVIII. in 1814. To speak rightly, Louis XVIII. considered that the order had never ceased to exist, for he had given two collars during his exile, in 1810, the one to Francis I., king of the two Sicilies, and the other to his brother, the Prince of Salerno, the father of his brother's wife, the Duchess d'Anjou.

The ribbon of this order was a light blue color. It was worn around the neck in the reigns of Henry III. and Henry IV., but was changed by Louis XIV., when it was worn across the chest. The Chevaliers of the St. Esprit were always known under the name of Les Cordon Bleu, and this was the supreme honor during the monarchy of France. It was from this that the title of "cordon bleu" was given to a first class cook. A gentleman one day declared after a good meal that he who had cooked the dinner had proved himself a "cordon bleu" among cooks—in other words, the master of his art. The title became quite the rage and is now always used to designate a good cook without the persons who use it knowing what it means or still less the origin of the title.

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